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TOPIC	Military Information from Jueterbog		
EVALUATION	see below	PLACE OBTAINED	
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REMARKS			

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1. On 7 May 1953, the barracks installations in Jueterbog II were occupied not to capacity by about 1,600 to 1,800 troops. Sentries observed wore red-bordered black epaulets, including some with motor transport insignia and, a few, with tank insignia. From 3 to 7 May, the units almost daily left in the early morning for the training grounds for marksmanship training and field training. [redacted] only a few vehicles. 25X1

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2. On 7 May, the Fuchsberg Kaserne, Jueterbog, was occupied almost to capacity by about 1,400 troops. Sentries observed wore red-bordered black epaulets. [redacted] 25X1 the rear detail of the engineer unit had left the installation. Troops wearing engineer insignia and the vehicles of the engineer unit were no longer observed. Between 3 and 7 May, [redacted] almost no training activity. Individual small columns of motor vehicles occupied by troops daily left the installation for the firing range north of Jueterbog and returned in the evening. [redacted] 25X1

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3. At about 10 a.m. on 4 May, 15 armored scout cars occupied to capacity by troops armed with submachine guns and assault rifles passed through Markendorf, coming from the direction of Werder and proceeding toward Charlottenfelde. Some time later, [redacted] 25X1 this unit at a practice immediately before Charlottenfelde. At 4 p.m. on 4 May, 14 trucks occupied by troops armed with carbines were passing through Charlottenfelde toward east. [redacted] 25X1

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Just east of Charlottenfelde, the trucks halted, the troops dismounted and the motor vehicles left toward north. Between 8 p.m. and 9 p.m. on 5 May, a large motor vehicle column [redacted] 25X1

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passed through Markendorf, proceeding toward Werder. Drivers observed wore red-bordered black epaulets with tank insignia. During the early morning of 6 May, small tank columns at large intervals passed through Markendorf, coming from the direction of Borsigsdorf and Froehden, and proceeding toward Charlottenfelde. The tanks exclusively were T-34/85s [redacted] 25X1

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Between 3 p.m. and 5 p.m. on 6 May, major columns of tanks, armored scout cars, and 20 armored personnel carriers [redacted] passed through Markendorf, proceeding toward Charlottenfelde. 25X1

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Petkus, Froehden and Sernow. An undetermined number of trucks, [redacted]

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[redacted] and occupied by troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets with tank insignia passed through Markendorf in the same direction. Firing of tanks and AT guns was continually heard from the Froehden-Sernow-Petkus-Charlottenfelde area until about 8 p.m. Shortly after 8 p.m., another motor vehicle column, [redacted]

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[redacted] passed through Markendorf, proceeding toward the training area.

4. On 7 May, [redacted] signal equipment was stored in that building of the Fuchsberg Kaserne, Jueterbog, which was closest to the patch of birch trees. Some soldiers carried radio sets from the building to a truck. Lieutenant Palonin (fnv) was identified in the Fuchsberg Kaserne as Kech officer. Trucks [redacted] were seen in the barracks area, and armored scout cars [redacted] were seen leaving the installation.<sup>1</sup>

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5. On 12 May, a sentry who wore red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia, was seen in front of Neues Lager, Jueterbog. At about 11 a.m., 4 trucks towing 76-mm field guns were entering the installation. [redacted]

At about 4 p.m., [redacted] 60 and 80, which came from the training area, entered the tank quarters which, coming from the direction of Jueterbog, were about 150 meters before Neues Lager.<sup>2</sup>

6. About 70 percent of the windows of the Damm Fliegerhorst installation were lighted on 15 May. On 11 May, 200 troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets and armed with rifles and machine guns engaged in field exercises at the training area; and about 100 troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets received training in firing at the firing range. On 15 May, about 35 soldiers were cleaning 5 to 6 guns in front of the shed on the Jueterbog-Rohrbeck road. Trucks [redacted] were seen en route from and to the Fliegerhorst installation.

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7. On 17 May, the Fuchsberg Kaserne was occupied by about 250 to 300 troops. On 13 May, about 200 troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets and armed with rifles entered the installation, coming from the direction of the training area at the Damm airfield. At about 4 p.m. on 15 May, 9 trucks [redacted] were being unloaded by about 40 soldiers wearing signal insignia in the yard of the two eastward quartering buildings. Another eight trucks [redacted] loaded with logs and iron frames, which [redacted] were bridge sections; and about 45 troops wearing black-bordered black epaulets with engineer insignia were seen in the yard, in addition to seven trailers, each carrying a pontoon, 2.5 x 4 x 1 meters. There other trucks [redacted] loaded with cable reels and boxes were at the entrance of the installation. Trucks [redacted] were seen leaving the installation. All windows of the Fuchsberg Kaserne were lighted on 15 May.<sup>1</sup>

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8. On 17 May, all windows of Neues Lager were lighted at dusk. On 14 May, about 120 troops were cleaning 50 sidecar motorcycles in the billeting area; and about 110 troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets received field training in the wooded area, while four BA-64 armored scout cars were seen at driving practice in the vicinity of the installation. Motor vehicles seen en route from and to Neues Lager [redacted]

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9. On 8 May, the Fliegerhorst installation at Damm was occupied by about 1,400 troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets with artillery or tank insignia, and about 130 air force personnel. On 8 April, about 1,350 troops carrying flags and preceded by a military band, left the installation, proceeding toward Jueterbog II. The unit returned at about 4 p.m. Every second day, between 5 April and 8 May, 90 troops engaged in service of the piece drill on 6 x 76-mm field guns; about 200 troops received infantry training; and about 250 troops were seen at drill and physical training. On the other days, only drill in small groups was observed. Motor vehicles [redacted] were seen en route to and from the installation.

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10. On 11 May, 30 to 40 soldiers practiced close combat and aiming in the yard of the Fuchsberg Kaserne, and about 40 soldiers left the installation toward the slaughterhouse. At about 9 a.m., three T-43 tanks left the installation; they returned at about 3 p.m. Between 8 a.m. and 10 a.m. on 12 May, groups of soldiers continually left the installation on foot or by truck. At about 4 p.m., the troops returned to the installation. On 13 May, 30 to 40 soldiers practiced close combat and aiming in the barracks yard; 20 to 25 soldiers practiced the throwing of hand grenades at the engineer training site; and 20 soldiers left toward the slaughterhouse. Trucks [redacted] were in the open sheds behind the school. Lieutenant Colonel Chimakov (fnu), of a motor transport unit, was determined in the installation.<sup>1</sup> The bakery, which was staffed by a major, a lieutenant, a technical sergeant, 20 bakers and three drivers, was in the former printing press at Wittke Park. The daily output of the bakery were 3 to 3.5 tons of bread.<sup>3</sup>

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11. On 13 May, the Adolf Hitler Camp was occupied by about 1,500 to 2,000 troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets with tank and artillery insignia. Between 2 and 13 May, drill and tank driving practice was observed in the barracks area. At about 10 a.m. on 9 May, three tanks were seen leaving the installation toward Wildpark. [redacted]

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1. [redacted] Comment. The information, with a fair degree of certainty, indicates that the bulk of the 14th Gds Mecz Div was at their permanent quarters until mid-May, and conducted their training program in the Jueterbog training area. [redacted]

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[redacted] The information does not clarify the occupation of the Fuchsberg Kaserne. However, the previous assumption that the 120th Gds Engr Bn and the 145th Gds Sig Bn of the 6th Gds Tank Div moved into the east section of the installation, is further strengthened. The western main section of the installation, however, appears to be still occupied by units of the 14th Gds Mecz Div. [redacted]

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2. [redacted] Comment. The 50th Mtrcl Regt of the Third Gds Mecz Army, [redacted] is again confirmed by [redacted] motorcycles and armored scout cars in Neues Lager. [redacted] information in paragraph 5 vaguely indicates the 199th Light Arty Brig, carried there.

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
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3.  Comment. An army bakery,  has been known from previous reports on the laundry in Jueterbog.

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4.  Comment. The motor vehicle  seen with the Hq Third Gds Mecz Army are known in the army area.

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